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1. The number of the regiment stationed at the Kecskemet Airfield is unknown; nor is it known if the whole regiment or only part of it is located here. The postbox number is 6,325.
2. The regimental organization is as follows:

Regimental staff
Fighter group of three flights
Ground support group of three flights
R.K.Z. ground battalion
Fighter service battalion
Ground support service battalion
Quartermaster section
3. The flight groups have a strength of 35 to 50 men (air crews only). All the other personnel is included in the service (Montier) battalions, which are so organized that each flight has its own service company.
4. The regimental commander (name unknown) is a major, about 40 years old, 180 cm. tall, and lean. His brother was regimental commander until 1950, when he met a flyer's death at Kecskemet.
5. The ground support group commander is Captain Adam Zoltai, about 40 year old, a former air officer and very popular. The technical officer of the group is Lieutenant Gyula Felső, a former air officer, about 35 years old. Other officers include Lieutenant Istvan Szanko, a former air noncommissioned officer, about 35 years old; Second Lieutenant Janos Seres, 23 years old, fresh from school.
6. The regiment has 21 Stormovik ground support planes and 29 Yak-9 fighters.

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7. The service battalions have the postbox number 4,725.¹ A battalion has a battalion staff and three companies of 90 to 110 men each. Each company services one of the flights. Service battalions are armed with automatic carbines.
8. The motor vehicle equipment of a battalion consists of five Skoda and Tatra personnel cars, eight 1.5 and 3-ton trucks, and nine jeeps.
9. A service company comprises an instrument platoon of about 20 men; a service platoon, 30 men; ordnance platoon, 20 men; electro-technical platoon, 20 men.
10. One service battalion is commanded by Captain György Szentpéteri, a former air officer about 40 years old, popular and good natured. The political officer is Lieutenant László Mátyás, 30 years old. The 3 Company is commanded by Lieutenant József Janik, a former air platoon leader, about 35 years old and very popular.
11. This battalion is from Budapest and the Trans-Danube counties. The men belong mostly to the classes of 1929, 1930 and 1931.
12. During the summer of 1952 the regiment carried out firing and bombing exercises at Bugaca, south of Kecskemét, in cooperation with infantry and armored units.

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